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FEDAYEEN ATTACKS

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1. ACTING ISRAELI PERMREP DORON FOLLOWED UP LETTER TO SYG
ON FEDAYEEN ATTACK REPORTED REFTEL WITH SECOND LETTER,
CIRCULATED FEB. 12, NOTING THAT PFLP HAD CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY
FOR ATTACK. LETTER RE-EMPHASIZES LEBANESE RESPONSIBILITY FOR
TERRORIST ATTACKS FROM ITS TERRITORY. TEXT FOLLOWS.

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ON INSTRUCTIONS OF MY GOVERNMENT AND FURTHER TO MY LETTER
ADDRESSED TO YOU ON 8 FEBRUARY 1974 (A/9488-S/11213),
I HAVE THE HONOUR TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO
AN ADDITIONAL MURDEROUS ATTACK CARRIED OUT BY TERRORISTS
WHO PENETRATED INTO ISRAEL FROM LEBANESE TERRITORY AND, AS
IS USUAL IN SUCH ATTACKS, RETURNED TO THEIR SANCTUARY THERE.

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ON 9 FEBRUARY 1974, AT APPROXIMATELY 2230 HOURS LOCAL TIME,

A YOUNG ISRAELI WOMAN WAS KILLED AND A YOUNG MAN WOUNDED WHEN TERROISTS WHO HAD COME FROM LEBANON AS AFORESAID FIRED A BAZOOKA SHELL AT A CIVILIAN CAR TRAVELLING ON A ROAD WHICH IS FREQUENTLY USED BY CIVILIANS NORTH OF KIBBUTZ DAN.

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RELEASED BY NEWS AGENCIES IN BEIRUT, THE SO-CALLED POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE--GENERAL COMMAND HAS DECLARED IN BEIRUT ON 10 FEBRUARY 1974 THAT IT HAD CARRIED OUT THIS HEINOUS CRIME.

IT MUST BE POINTED OUT THAT THIS CRIMINAL ACT AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MADE IN BEIRUT BY THE MURDEROUS ORGANIZATION WHICH HAD PERPETRATED IT HIGHLIGHT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON FOR THESE GRAVE CRIMES. I WOULD EMPHASIZE ONCE MORE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON MUST BEAR FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS SITUATION WHICH PERMITS TERROR ATTACKS FROM ITS TERRITORY AGAINST ISRAELI TERRITORY, AND FOR ALL THE CONSEQUENCES ARISING THEREFROM.

I MUST AGAIN DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT THE TERROR ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE NOTORIOUS POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP), CONTINUE TO ENJOY FULL FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND ACTION IN LEBANESE TERRITORY, INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THEIR HEADQUARTERS THERE, AS WELL AS OF THEIR TRAINING BASES AND CAMPS AND THE FREEDOM TO PUBLISH NEWSPAPERS, STATEMENTS AND DECLARATIONS. THEIR LEADERS, WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTS OF MURDER, THE HIJACKING OF AIRCRAFT AND OTHER ATTACKS AGAINST CIVIL AVIATION, APPEAR IN PUBLIC AND MAKE THEIR STATEMENTS WITHOUT ANY HINDRANCE.

THE AFORESAID PFLP HAS RECENTLY AGAIN COMMITTED GRAVE CRIMES IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD AND HAS EVEN TAKEN PRIDE IN DOING SO. THIS FINDS EXPRESSION, FOR EXAMPLE, IN AN INTERVIEW GIVEN IN BEIRUT QUITE OPENLY BY THE SPOKESMAN OF THAT TERROR ORGANIZATION, PUBLISHED IN THE IMPORTANT JAPANESE NEWSPAPER ASAHI SHINBUN OF 7 FEBRUARY 1974, IN RESPECT OF THE MOST RECENT DASTARDLY ACTS OF THE PFLP IN ASIA.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REQUEST THAT THIS LETTER BE CIRCULATED
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AS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

(SIGNED) JACOB DORON
ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS UNQTE.
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